

14th July, 2024

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to object to new information on the Hills of Gold Wind Farm (SD-9679) Case on the IPC website. Please remove my personal details.

I do not like the way the Department is now using the 2023 Draft Guidelines selectively, when it previously said Hills of Gold Wind Farm would be assessed under the 2016 Guidelines.

If that is the case why haven't the 2023 Draft Guidelines been used to assess the entire project, not just some turbine locations.

The Department has sought expert advice on viability and the 62-turbine scenario is the only viable layout.

I am concerned that the expert panel is not aware of the information gaps brought up by Tamworth Regional Council and the extra costs to prevent soil erosion, sedimentation and mass movement across a very large site and between two national parks.

It is a big risk being considered here and there are less risky renewables projects for the government to approve.

I allow my submission to be emailed on my behalf because I do not have email or computer access. I am concerned that the IPC did not communicate with residents by post about the reopened opportunity for public submissions.

Yours sincerely,

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